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## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION WASHINGTON



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OFFICE OF INFORMATION MEMORANDUM NO. 28

## Clearing Requests for Special Articles by the Secretary

Under date of February 19, Sam Bledsoe, Assistant to the Secretary, writes me as follows:

"In recent months a large number of requests have been received from various offices for special articles by the Secretary for special editions of newspapers, magazines, etc. This office feels that the volume of these requests has been rather large, with too many requests coming from publications of very limited circulation.

"At present these requests come from individual bureaus, from newspapers direct, from field workers of the Department, and from others, and the volume of them is so great that the Secretary cannot grant all requests received.

"In order to coordinate the handling of these requests blease take steps to have all of them cleared through your office. Such requests should be granted only in those cases which in your judgment you deem are worthy."

In accordance with this direction, requests for special articles and statements by the Secretary henceforth should be sent to this office. Please direct them to Keith Himebaugh, Assistant Director of Information.

Merse Blisbury
Director of Information

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